

The Illinois Green Governments Coordinating Council

Presents
The 6th Annual
Sustainable Universities and Colleges Symposium

Friday, October 28, 2011 9:00am – 4:00pm

Hosted by:

The Illinois Green Economy Network
The Green Institute
Heartland Community College

AGENDA

Morning Session

9:00am-11:30am

8:30am – *Lobby & Hallways*Exhibitor Setup

9:00am – *Lobby & Hallways*Registration

Exhibits Open

Local & Sustainable Foods

10:15am -- *Auditorium*

Welcome and Introduction: Eric Heineman, Moderator
Dr. Allen Goben, Heartland Community College President
Mr. Chris Koos, Mayor of Normal, IL
Governor Pat Quinn

11:15am – *Auditorium*Julie Elzanati, Illinois Green Economy Network Presentation

Lunch Session:

11:45am-12:45pm

Sustainable Foods
Exhibits Open
Tours of Heartland Campus—11:45am & 12:30pm (*Glass Vestibule*)

And by the *Lower Level Entrance*...

Town of Normal **Mitsubishi "i"** & **Nissan LEAF** Test Drives (11:30am—3:30pm)







Lunch and "Green Bag" Break Out Discussions



1) Bike Share Roundtable

A discussion of University of Chicago's "recycles" BikeShare program

- **Presentation**: "Creating and Sustaining a Campus Bike Share Program"
 - Katie Anson, Kevin Applewhite, and Colleen Lanier Christensen from University of Chicago

2) Sustainability Curriculum

A forum exhibiting various schools programs that link academia with the environment.

- Presentation #1: "Connecting Campus & Community: The Nature Preserve at SIUE"
 - Kevin Adkins, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville (Moderator)
- Presentation #2: "Sustainability: A Comprehensive Foundation. An Open Source Textbook for Illinois"
 - Cynthia Klein-Banai, Thomas L. Theis, Jonathan Tomkin, and Tim Gilles from University of Illinois
- Presentation #3: "Illinois Riverwatch Workshop"
 - Nate Keener, Lewis & Clark Community College

3) Campus Climate Challenge

A participatory seminar on the national Campus Climate Challenge

- Presentation: "Campus Climate Challenge 2.0: Making Campus Sustainability Targets a Reality"
 - Juliana Goodlaw-Morris, Greenforce Initiative

4) Implementing the Illinois Campus Sustainability Compact

A seminar discussion of the higher education Compact program

- Presentation: "Information and Technical Resources for Campus Sustainability Programs"
 - o Gary Miller, University of Illinois
 - o Kevin Greene, Illinois EPA

5) GGCC University Legislative Policy Group

Government policies impact the ability of colleges and universities to become more sustainable. Those interested in making state policies more sustainability friendly are invited to this session.

- Gordon Rands, Western Illinois University
- Bert Jacobson, Kankakee Community College

6) Implementing Energy Reduction Strategies

A seminar showcasing various case studies in campus energy reduction moderated by Brad McCormick, **John A. Logan College**

- Presentation #1: "A Case Study in Implementing Energy Reduction Strategies at Community Colleges"
 - Brad McCormick (*Moderator*) and Tim Gibson from John A. Logan College
- Presentation #2: " Quantifying Energy Conservation Possibilities within Campus Buildings"
 - Sam Yoder, University of Illinois at Chicago
- Presentation #3: "Student-Lead Sustainability Initiatives at DePaul University"
 - o Marian Vernon, Alex Moree and Cecelia Jacobson from **DePaul University**

7) DCEO Recycling Panel: College Assistance & Food Scrap Composting

A presentation on two DCEO recycling programs targeted to higher education audiences. Presented by David E. Smith, **Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity**

- Presentation #1: "Illinois College Assistance Program (I-CAP) for Recycling"
- **Presentation #2:** "Illinois Food Scrap Composting Revitalization & Advancement Program (FSCRAP)"





Panel Session #1

1:00pm-2:20pm

1) Technical Assistance for Campus Sustainability Planning

A tactical conversation on implementing and preserving campus sustainability programs

- **Presentation #1:** "Information and Technical Resources for Campus Sustainability Programs"
 - Gary Miller, University of Illinois (Moderator)
 - o Kevin Greene, Illinois EPA
- Presentation #2: "Regionally Organizing for Sustainability"
 - o Bert Jacobson, Kankakee Community College
- Presentation #3: "The Illinois Climate Action Plan and Sustainability"
 - o Morgan Johnston, University of Illinois

2) Implementing Geothermal on Your Campus

A presentation from the Geothermal Alliance of Illinois

- Presentation: "Geothermal 202: Geo on Campus"
 - John Freitag and representatives from the Geothermal Alliance of Illinois

3) Food for Thought: Local Foods Panel

A panel discussion on local food partnerships moderated by Heartland Community College

- **Presentation:** "The Role of College -Community Partnerships in Building Economic Resilience through a Community-Based Food System"
 - Mary Beth Trakinat, Heartland Community College (Moderator)
 - o Elaine Sebald, Bloomington Farmers' Market
 - o Arlene Hosea, Illinois State University
 - Tim Lindsay, University of Illinois
 - Rick Glass, marcfirst First of Illinois

4) Green Relations: Town/Gown Sustainability Partnerships

A series of presentations on models of campus & college town sustainability relationships

- Presentation #1: "Multifamily and Campus Cardboard Recycling in the City of Champaign"
 - Angela Adams, City of Champaign

- Presentation #2: "Community Food Waste Composting; A Town-Gown Partnership"
 - o Missy Nergard (*Moderator*) and Mike O'Grady, *Illinois State University*
- Presentation #3: "Successful Sustainability Outreach Efforts by Community Colleges"
 - o Julie Bates, Lincoln Land Community College
 - o Pat Dieckhoff, McHenry County College
 - Rich Schultz, Kankakee Community College

5) Green Business Panel

A panel on commercial opportunities in the green sector hosted by the Illinois Green Business Association

- Presentation: "Green Practices, Green Business: Benefits and Applications for Commercial Sustainability"
 - o Cassandra Carroll, Anthony Santarelli—Illinois GBA
 - Don Schlorff, Busey
 - o Carol Timms, Educational Dividends
 - o TBA

Break

2:20pm-2:40pm Exhibits Open Sustainable Snacks & Beverages

Panel Session 2

2:40pm-4:00pm Exhibits Open

1) From the Ground Up: Landscaping, Gardening & Tree Programs

A series of presentations on engaging higher education populations with outdoor environments

- **Presentation #1:** "Sustainable Maintenance of Outdoor Spaces"
 - Neale Baldyga, Columbia College
 - Molly Meyer, Rooftop Green Works
- Presentation #2: "Engaging Students at Southern Illinois University Carbondale's Student Organic Garden"
 - o Laura Williams, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

- Presentation #3: "Urban Forests: Engaging with Sustainability at UIC"
 - o Andy Lueck, University of Illinois at Chicago
- **Presentation #4:** "Urban Agriculture and the Sustainable University: DePaul University's Urban Agriculture Program"
 - Barb Willard, DePaul University (Moderator)

2) Sustaining Employment: Workforce Development & Training

A panel on preserving a green outlook while navigating a recessionary environment

- **Presentation #1:** "Training the best possible Geothermal workforce"
 - John Freitag, Geothermal Alliance of Illinois
- Presentation #2: "Automotive Recycling Green Jobs"
 - o Ken Kunz, Waubonsee Community College
- Presentation #3: "Bringing College Energy Efficiency Courses to Underserved Populations"
 - O David R. Inman, Wilbur Wright College
- **Presentation #4**: "The Role of Higher Education in Transitioning to a Cleaner Economy"
 - Juliana Goodlaw-Morris, Greenforce Initiative (Moderator)

3) Green Dollars: Energy Efficiency Funding Opportunities

A panel focused on how to apply the green in your wallet toward your green endeavors

- Presentation #1: "Innovative Ways to Access IL Incentives"
 - Mike Stanch, 360 Energy Group
- **Presentation #2:** "Illinois Energy Now Grants and Rebates for Energy Efficiency in the Public Sector"
 - o Agnes Mrozowski, **Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity**
- Presentation #3: "Paid-From-Savings Guide to Green Existing Buildings"
 - Doc Kotecki, Energy Systems (Moderator)

4) Energy Exploration: Sustainable Research and Energy Plants

A series of lectures focusing on research programs related to higher education energy use.

- Presentation #1: "Green EIU"
 - Ryan Siegel, Eastern Illinois University

- **Presentation #2**: "Energy Harvesting from Treated Waste Water using Geothermal Heat Pumps"
 - Huajun Yuan, University of Illinois at Chicago
- Presentation #3: "Biomass Energy: Sustainability, Teaching, and Public Service Opportunities for Universities and Colleges"
 - o Fred lutzi, Western Illinois University
- Presentation #4: "Accelerating Change through Comprehensive Energy Planning"
 - Maram Kittaneh, Illinois Institute of Technology (Moderator)

5) Student (as) Teacher: Students Panel

A panel of students from various institutions presenting their sustainability projects

- Presentation #1: "Structuring Sustainability Funding Opportunities"
 - o Ryan Wolber, Illinois State University
- Presentation #2: "Project Eco-Dawgs: An Integrated Approach to Environmental & Climate Impacts"
 - Megan Pulliam, Southern Illinois University
- Presentation #3: "Green Offices: Engaging with Sustainability at UIC"
 - Lauren Smith, University of Illinois at Chicago
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Adjourn 4:00pm

